

UPDATED ISSUES

4. Price reciprocity and other seams issues: FERC wants RTO proposals to address seams issues. A task force should (i) attempt to negotiate the reciprocal elimination of pancaked transmission charges between the Northwest RTO and the California ISO and any other RTOs that will operate in the WSCC, so as to permit pricing as if there were only one RTO ~~while minimizing the impact of cost shifts among such RTOs and ISO and provided that any resulting cost shifts can be adequately addressed~~ and (ii) recommend any operational features in the Northwest RTO needed to reduce scheduling, congestion and other issues at the seams between the Northwest RTO and the California ISO. Integration and coordination with Canadian entities should be addressed. Also to be addressed are seams issues with transmission-owning utilities within the RTO but not a part of it. Roles and responsibility for reliability should be addressed.
9. RTO tariffs: The IndeGO tariff was drafted quite some time ago and was one of the last documents to be addressed during the IndeGO process. There have been numerous developments around the country since the IndeGO work was completed that suggest a fresh approach to the RTO Tariff would be preferable. The RTO Tariff should be designed to best accomplish the objectives of the RTO, consistent with Order 2000. Among other things, work on the RTO Tariff should take into account: (i) the need for a new generator connection policy; and (ii) treatment of must-take (typically associated with hydro spill) generating resource commitments. In accordance with FERC's policy of non-discrimination, ~~the~~ the RTO Tariff should afford treatment that is not unduly discriminatory as among end use loads of the RTO transmission system regardless of whether such end use loads are (a) distribution or direct service loads of transmission owners that sign a TCA, (b) distribution loads of transmission-dependent utilities, or (c) distribution loads of transmission owners that do not sign a TCA due to a legal impediment.
19. Independent (as defined in FERC Order 2000 Characteristic #1) transmission owners: How independent transmission owners interface with the ISO, including the division of any RTO function performed by an independent transmission owner, must be addressed. An independent transmission owner, in addition to ~~the an independent transmission company~~ (ITC), may include but is not limited to independent Canadian entities.
22. Retail Load Access to the RTO system: Revised issue statement being prepared.
24. Canadian Cross Border: The Northwestern natural electricity market involves Canadian entities governed by totally different political, governance, regulatory, and social drivers. FERC encouraged the participation of Canadian entities in the

RTO initiative, and ~~expects~~ the issue ~~to~~should be addressed in the filing of the jurisdictional entities.